Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government take steps immediately and not wait for a non-official committee to which it should be referred?

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Can the Hon'ble Member give me some idea about the distribution of land in Nayarambalam.

Mr. President.—It is too wide a question.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know what were the important points?

Mr. President.—The Hon'ble Member must refer to the report published.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Is it not a fact that if the land is equally distributed among the ryots it would come to one fourths of an acre to each ryot? Was it not the finding of the enquiry conducted there?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—I cannot give an answer on an individual point raised in the report.

Mr. President.—If the report has been published the members are not expected to answer every point as an examination paper on that report.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—One of the most leading points in the report was that if the land is distributed equally among the ryots it will come to only one fourth's of an acre.

Mr. President.—That is only making a statement which is in the report. It is a statement of fact which the Hon'ble member himself makes.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—What is the use of asking questions if the Hon'ble Members on the other side will not even note the points?

Mr. President.—It is asking for opinion. I rule that it is asking for opinion.

Amount spent on Primary, Secondary and Collegiate Education.

67. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the amount the Government had been spending on (a) Primary (b) Secondary and (c) Collegiate education during each of the years 1100—1110;

(2) the proportion of each item to the other?

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Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) (b) (c)

(1).	Primary	Secondary	Collegiate education.
1100	5,89,011	3,24,993	83,340
1101	5,96,729	3,26,465	1,18,940
1102	6,38,190	3,45,429	1,09,729
1103	6,74,992	3,62,178	1,11,754
1104	6,84,579	3,61,268	1,00,274
1105	7,11,305	3,77,158	1,05,109
1106	7,36,233	4,03,684	1,08,768
1107	8,08,050	4,24,333	1,23,872
1108	8,26,886	4,04,278	1,08,372
1109	8,24,857	4,38,220	1,56,238

(2)			
1100	7·1	3·9	1
1101	5·0	2·7	1
1102	5·8	3·1	1
1103	6·0	3·2	1
1104	6·8	3·6	1
1105	6·8	3·6	1
1106	6·8	3·7	1
1107	6·5	3·4	1
1108	7·6	3·7	1
1109	5·3	2·8	1

(The figures for 1110 are not furnished as the year is not out).

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has the Government noticed that the proportion of amounts spent upon Primary Education in the last few years has been decreasing when compared to the amounts that were spent in the earlier years mentioned here?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—The proportion is on the decrease. But the actual amount increases.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—I find an abnormal expenditure on College education. Am I to take it that it has a direct effect of reducing the percentage of expenditure on Primary Education.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Government have stated on the floor of this House that every educational activity has to be curtailed on account of the activities on College education.

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Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government make it a point that even though they have to spend larger and larger amounts on college education, that primary education does not suffer?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Government are going to wind up the college extension as rapidly as possible.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Have the Government any idea of the percentage of boys and girls who might not obtain primary education?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I have not.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Do these figures take the capital outlay?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—No.

Appointment of Mr. Mills.

68. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state,—

whether it is a fact that it was at the instance of the Director of Public Instruction that Mr. Mills was appointed?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Mr. Mills was not appointed at the instance of the Director of Public Instruction.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Was he an applicant?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—He was not an applicant.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—At whose instance was that appointment made?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Government have no information.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—At whose instance was he appointed?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I cannot say. We have no further information.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Were there any applicants for this post?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—There were some.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know at least a few of those names?

Mr. President.—You can give him a list. That will be supplied to the Hon'ble Member.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has not the importation of Mr. Mills as the Principal of the Maharaja's College created discontent amongst the existing staff who have been admitted to be exceptionally efficient men?

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